

## Summary

The subject of the invention is a smart card reader (31) comprising a card reader part for receiving a detachable smart card (11) connected to it and for communicating information between the smart card reader (31) and the smart card (11). In addition, the smart card reader (31) comprises a short-range communications part (32) connected to said card reader part for communicating information using a RF wireless method between the smart card reader (31) and a wireless communications terminal (8) external to it; said short-range communications part (32) comprising a processing unit (MCU) for controlling the short-range communications part. Said processing unit (MCU) contained in the short-range communications part (32) is arranged to control the operations of the card reader part in addition to the operations of the short-range communications part (32). In addition, the subject of the invention covers a method and a system.

Figure 3.